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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 1997

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SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

ENGROSSED NO. **HB1177** - 2/25/97

Introduced by: Representatives Cerny, Fiegen, Sperry, and Wetz and Senators Dunn (Jim),
Hutmacher, and Rounds

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to permit cooperatives, rural electric cooperatives,
2 telephone corporations, and nonprofit corporations to conduct meetings by teleconference.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. That chapter 47-17 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
5 follows:

6 Unless restricted by the articles of incorporation or bylaws, members of the board of
7 directors or any committee designated by the board of directors may participate in a meeting of
8 such board or committee by means of teleconference or similar communications equipment which
9 allows all persons participating in the meeting to hear each other at the same time. Participation
10 by a board or committee member in a teleconference constitutes presence in person at a meeting.

11 Section 2. That chapter 47-21 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
12 follows:

13 Unless restricted by the articles of incorporation or bylaws, members of the board of
14 directors or any committee designated by the board of directors may participate in a meeting of
15 such board or committee by means of teleconference or similar communications equipment which

1 allows all persons participating in the meeting to hear each other at the same time. Participation
2 by a board or committee member in a teleconference constitutes presence in person at a meeting.

3 Section 3. That chapter 47-23 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
4 follows:

5 Unless restricted by the articles of incorporation or bylaws, members of the board of
6 directors or any committee designated by the board of directors may participate in a meeting of
7 such board or committee by means of teleconference or similar communications equipment which
8 allows all persons participating in the meeting to hear each other at the same time. Participation
9 by a board or committee member in a teleconference constitutes presence in person at a meeting.

10 Section 4. That chapter 49-30 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
11 follows:

12 Unless restricted by the articles of incorporation or bylaws, members of the board of
13 directors or any committee designated by the board of directors may participate in a meeting of
14 such board or committee by means of teleconference or similar communications equipment which
15 allows all persons participating in the meeting to hear each other at the same time. Participation
16 by a board or committee member in a teleconference constitutes presence in person at a meeting.

1 **BILL HISTORY**

2 1/29/97 First read in House and referred to State Affairs. H.J. 201

3 2/3/97 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

4 2/3/97 State Affairs Do Pass, Passed, AYES 11, NAYS 0. H.J. 255

5 2/4/97 House of Representatives Do Pass, Passed, AYES 66, NAYS 0. H.J. 303

6 2/5/97 First read in Senate and referred to State Affairs. S.J. 333

7 2/24/97 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

8 2/24/97 State Affairs Title Amended.

9 2/24/97 State Affairs Do Pass Amended, Passed, AYES 8, NAYS 0. S.J. 594

10 2/24/97 State Affairs Place on Consent Calendar. S.J. 594